

RESPONSE

Examiner: Stephen A. HOLZEN

Serial No. 10/734,216

Atty. Docket No.: 71474.010200

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Applicant thanks the Examiner for the interview conducted October 3, 2005.

Per the agreement reached, Applicant amends the pending claims herein to make the preambles thereof similar to that of claim 1 as originally filed.

Claims 22-42 are pending in the application. Independent claim 22 is presently cancelled and independent claim 43 is added in its place. The dependent claims have been amended to depend from new independent claim 43, and their preambles have been amended to conform them to the preamble of claim 43.

Independent claim 43 recites a preamble which is identical to the preamble of claim 1 as originally filed except for the word "system." Restriction is not proper as set forth below.

This Application was filed *pro se* by the inventor with claims 1-21 as written by the inventor. The same was recognized by the Examiner in the initial action. The Examiner noted therein that the claims had not been examined against any prior art because the scope of the claims was unascertainable, and suggested prosecution of the application by a registered patent attorney. Applicant's undersigned representative responded to the Office Action by canceling the pending claims and drafting a new set of claims directed to the invention as it was intended to be claimed.

Applicant then received the Communication to which this paper is responsive. In that Communication, the Examiner indicated that the Applicant must re-insert the claims to the originally presented invention. Applicant strongly disagrees, and finds no support in either the Law under 35 U.S.C., the Regulations under 37 C.F.R., or the MPEP. Indeed, as agreed in the interview of October 3, 2005, neither the Applicant nor the Examiner believe that the original

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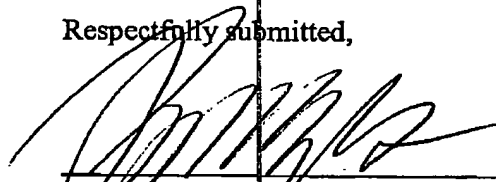
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claims should be prosecuted. Nonetheless, Applicant has amended the claims herein to more closely conform them to the subject matter of the original claims as-filed.

Please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0653.

In the event that the Examiner is of the opinion that a brief telephone or personal interview will facilitate allowance of one or more of the above claims, he is courteously requested to contact applicant's undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,


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